BOY SCARES LIONESS

Little Child Throws Stone

at Queen of Beasts.

SEEKS SAFETY IN FLIGHT

Escapes from Menagerie and Strange

Sights in Streets Bewilder Her.

Knocks Bown Old Woman and Runs When Man Says "Shoo"-Glad to

Accompany Keeper Back to Cage.

Paris, April 20.-An anaemic lioness

who escaped from a menageric at Reims yesterday has disgraced forever the mag-nificent traditions of her kind.

She had been restive for some days, and when her keeper was stooping in the

cage she gave him a gentle push, knock-

ed him over, and escaped through the open door. She was somewhat bewildered

by her sudden liberty, and in her excite

ment made a dash for the market place, knocking down a small child on the way. The child, a particularly bad-tempered

youngster, picked itself up and threw

This caused the lioness to hurry, and in

her terror she came into collision with an old woman, who was knocked over by

Then a brave young man appeared in

the way and said "Shoo!" whereupon the lioness bolted down a side street, causing

great consternation. She overtook a butcher's cart, and the butcher boy fied

in terror, leaving his goods to the lioness,

who stopped to enjoy a good round meal

were quite unaware of her pacific inten

stones after her.

superior weight.

# KAISER NEEDS PERSIA

Germany Planning to Exploit Domain of Shah.

# BRITISH INTERESTS MENACED

Commerce and Political Influences of England to Be Undermined by Emperor William's Subjects-Will Carefully Avoid Any Business Invasion Distasteful to Russia.

Berlin, April 20.-Germany, in need of new fields of expansion, has marked down Persia as a favorable country for exploitation, and elaborate plans have worked out for the promotion of German commercial interests and the extension of PALATE BEATS FINGER PRINTS. German enterprise in the Shah's dominion

These plans are, on absolutely reliable information, to be carried out by German capitalists, supported by the German govstep forward contemplated by the Germans involves an invasion of the recognized sphere of British influence and an attack on British interests in Persia. German enterprise in Persia thus promises to bring about a critical situation in the Middle East, besides increasing the tension between Great Britain and Germany already existing in Europe.

Germany's schemes for exploiting Perwhich even slightly resembled each other.

He says that though the teeth alter greatly with time, the markings of the palate remain unchanged throughout life.

The individuality of the palate is greater sia are so menacing to British interests that they merit serious attention on the part of his majesty's government.

Hitherto Great Britain and Russia have been the only powers with extensive influence at Teheran. North Persia has been recognized as the Russian sphere of influence, and South Persia as the British. The Angio-Russian agreement, now practically concluded, provides for the relief to the process of the process The Angio-Russian agreement, now practically concluded, provides for the reprints, moval of future causes of rivalry in

## In British Sphere.

This arrangement between Great Britain Gets Equivalent of Victoria Cross and Russia is extremely distasteful to and Russia is extremely distasterial of Germany, who desires to further her own ends in Persia. It is significant, however, government has conferred a unique deco that the commercial development now be- ration on a colored private named Ponge ginning is to be confined to South Persia, of the colonial army, for conspicuo and carefully excluded from North Persia.

In plain words, this means that the GerPonge was made a Knight of the Mili-

man government is willing to patronize tary Order of William, which is equiva an invasion by German merchants of the British sphere of influence, while carefully motto of this coveted order, which is avoiding any action that could give offense to Russia. German protestations of Indian army, mostly officers of high rank. friendship for England cannot conceal the fact that the scheme now begun in Persia with the consent and knowledge advisable to create a special order of reof the German government is an effort ward for colored soldiers.

of the German government is an effort to gain a footing in a country adjacent to Britain's Indian empire.

An eminent authority on the Middle Eastern question has put it on record that the presence of any military power in South Persia would be a potential menace to India. Viewed in this light, the German commercial invasion appears still more menacing.

ROOKS REING \$370,000

The German Orient Bank was founded

Gulf, obtaining a concession of territory as the site of the necessary buildings. This would be the headquarters of a new FUSHIMI GOING TO ENGLAND ADDER BITES SNAKE CHARMER German line of coasting steamships to distribute to all the Persian ports the imercial center by the Hamburg-American and other German lines.

The steamships of the Hamburg-American Company now plying in the Persian charging 8 shillings a ton of freight, as compared with 12 shillings a ton rate of the British ships, and it is expected that a continuation of this policy will drive the British flag out of the gulf.

An audacious scheme of railway con struction, seriously encroaching on British rights, completes the project of the
German Orient Bank. It is stated that one
rive in England in the first week of May,
of these projected German railways runtothe Hotel Continental in Paris, will arcally as "Henry the Snake Chamer," had
a terrible experience with an adder on of these projected German railways, running from Teheran to Bagdad, would earn profits by simply conveying the corpses of pious Persians to two holy places southward of Bagdad, where the Persian the results of the Mikado, and ranks tive, the visit of the Carter Mission to profits by simply conveying the corpses of pious Persians to two holy places southward of Bagdad, where the Persian Moslems desire to be buried. Another projected railway, running from Bagdad eastward and then southward to the new German commercial center on the Persian Gulf, would provide the urgently needed terminus for the Bagdad railway.

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The German government recently ap-pointed a new minister at Teheran, Herr temrich, an expert in Oriental affairs, to Promote German commercial interests in Persia. One of Herr Stemrich's first acts was to recommend an immediate extension of German enterprises.

# DEAD MAN GIVES BANQUET.

Provides Entertainment for All Who Attended His Funeral,

Paris, April 20 .- A banquet under peculiar auspices took place in a restaurant

here last night.

The cost of the dinner was \$3 per head, and was defrayed out of a special bequest made by the late M. Naissant, formerly a functionary at the ministry of

He died a few days ago, and in his will was a clause directing that all those who followed his remains to the cemetery

were to dine at his expense,
A report of the proceedings states that
"the utmost good feeling prevailed," and
during the meal a toast to the memory of
the departed was proposed by the under-

Naissant was a Knight of the Legion of Honor, and, in accordance with the instructions contained in the will, each of the soldiers belonging to the detachment which rendered military honors re-ceived a present of \$1.00.

the British torpedo destroyer Ariel col-lided with the breakwater and sank. One



TYPES OF ROUMANIAN PEASANTS RECENTLY IN REVOLT.

In the history of Rome it was always the land question which roused the derest political strife. So, too, it is the land question in Roumania, that picturesque and romantic relic of Rome's military supremacy. The Roumanian claim to be the ultimate offspring of Roman legionaries, and to have preserved intact through centuries of wars and misfortunes something of the old Roman legionaries.

T. Swettenham.

Writers Headed by Mr. Shaw

and Mr. Webb.

at Night.

Trades Union Headquarters, but

Reds Outwit Them.

Then the delegates started out for a walk, breaking up into pairs; and seem-

eluding the police, and, shortly after sundown in fields at the side of the riv-er, they organized the congress afresh and talked for seven hours. To-day they

FRENCH OFFICER SHOT.

Murderer Asserts That He Avenged

Paris, April 20.-Lieut. Geyer d'Orth, of

Sister's Honor.

the 163d regiment, stationed at Ajaccio

gress had met and had adjourned.

Charcoal merchant in Bucharest.

# THREATEN MASSACRE

Persians Plan Revenge if Murderers Are Punished.

VICTIM A RUSSIAN SUBJECT

Troops Ordered to Scene of Trouble Delayed on Account of Lack of ANARCHISTS LAUGH AT POLICE JAMAICA'S NEW GOVERNOR Funds to Defray Traveling Expenses-Crowds Await Shah's Reply Regarding Demands for Work,

Teheran, April 20.-The secretary of the Russian consulate at Meshed, in spite of the protests against his passage made by the governor of Mishopar, has arrived at Sabzeyar, where an Armenian, a Russian Russians are encamped outside the gates of the town, awaiting the arrival from

here of a commission appointed to investhere than a year ago to promote profitable enterprises in Eastern countries. Its own capital amounts to \$4,600,000, and its

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In any Sold by Sotheby.

London, April 20.—A selected portion of the most powerful institutions in Germany, and the Schafbausen Bank of Germany and the Schafbausen Bank of Germany and the Schafbausen Bank of Germany, and the Schafbausen Bank of Germany and the Schafbausen Bank of Germany, and the Schafbausen Bank of Germany and the Schafbausen Bank of the sale was \$875,00.

Among the sales were Miles Coverdale; Tauslation of the Bible, first cutton, in the murderers of the Armenian are fully worked out, and begins with the establishment of a German bank at repeating the the stablishment of a German bank at repeating the the stablishment of a German bank at repeating the the stablishment of a German bank at repeating the the stablishment of a German bank at repeating the scholar of the Sahak will be to secure conscious.

Commercial Center.

The German Orient Bank will also try to establish a great commercial center at the most flowers, the commercial center at the most flowe

# Mannheim was the actual meeting place and thither the delegates proceeded, apparently as innocent as travelers. The Mannheim police, however, had been warned, and the "Reds" on their arrival were greeted by an imposing force of bluecoats, who accompanied them to the trade union headquarters, arresting three delegates en route. When the congress subsequently opened, the police appeared and forbade further proceedings, declaying everybody present under arrest. Under a heavy guard the "congress" was then escorted to the police station, but the men were released as soon as their identities had been ascertained. Then the delegates started out for a

Envoy of the Mikado to Visit King Henry Richards Puts Head of Rep-Edward.

in Identifying Prisoners.

study of methods of identification, recom

mends that prisoners should be identified

by the shape of their palates. He thinks the system far more efficacious than by

finger prints,
Dr. Pragar declares that the method

would be much more reliable than any at present used, for among the thousands of

nolds he has taken of the interior of the

human mouth he has failed to find two

MEDAL FOR COLORED SOLDIER.

from Dutch Government.

BOOKS BRING \$370,000.

Vienna, April 20.-Dr. Paul Pragar, ar

Gulf undercut their British competitors by Prince, Who Is Relative of Japanese Act of Bravado Very Nearly Costs Sovereign, Leading Quiet Life in Paris,

Paris, April 20.-Prince Fushim!, the Cardiff, April 20.-Henry Richards, of



Prince Fushimi, Who will visit King Edward as special envoy of the Mikado.

speaks English fairly well. He prefers, however, to express himself in French, in which language he has acquired greater

tile in His Mouth.

Serpent Chaser's Life After Painful Experience.

Thursday, from the effects of which he

of Ajacelo, pursued by gendarines. On better now, his arm and face are terribly swollen. His father was killed by the bite of a snake.

Of Ajacelo, pursued by gendarines. On being brought to bay, ne fired at his pursues, wounding two of them. He succeeded in escaping to the hills, where he of the Colonial Office. He has found it swollen. His father was killed by the oite of a snake,

bite of a snake.

Richards has a habit of carrying at least one snake with him, and sometimes he has as many as nine in his pockets. His nethod of capturing snakes is interesting. He takes a white handkerchief, conscious for a moment or two before to which the attention of the reptile is attracted. Then he grasps its tail and places it across his urm, when it is said some one else. places it across his arm, when it is said some one else. become quite still under the man's in

Richards declares that he had been for hree years in quest of the reptile which

## COLOR LINE DRAWN IN PARIS. Maj. Taylor Forced to Leave Hotel at Request of Americans,

Paris, April 20.—Maj. Taylor, the champion American negro bicycle rider, was to-day forced to leave a hotel where he had registered, to attend the aces at Buffalo Park, owing to the drawing of the color line.

ping at the same hotel with Taylo were responsible for his being ordered out. They declared they would leave the place themselves unless the negre

TORPEDO DESTROYER LOST.

The Ariel Collided with Breakwater.
One Man Drowned.

Valetta, Island of Malta, April 20.
While maneuvering during a night attack outside the Grand Harbor late yesterday the British torpedo destroyer Ariel collided with the breakwater and sank. One man was drowned.

Funce Fushimi has been to Europe on two previous occasions. His first visit was twenty-one years ago, when he came accordingly requested Taylor to leave. In an interview Taylor said:

"This treatment is in strange contrast with the welcome which the French have always given me before. To avoid a recurrence of any such unpleasant incidents, I have decided not in Europe to inspect the great government departments in England and France.

man was drowned.

The Ariel lies in deep water, and it is expected that she will be a total loss.

Grave as an Asset.

Cape Town, April 20.—Among the assets of an octogenarian named George Ruck, who appeared in the Cape Town Bankruptey Court, was a piece of ground containing the grave, with monument, of his wife, who died some years ago.

France,

His aid-de-camp said to-day that they intend to see all they can, and "extract the good out of everything."

"We have much to learn from your country." he said. "After we cease to be the King's guests we hope to spend some time visiting other parts of England and Scotland, for it is only natural that we should be eager to make our selves more familiar with the people who are our allies."

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who stopped to enjoy a good round meal. The butcher boy spread the alarm that an entire menagerle was loose in the streets. The timorous shut themselves up in the houses, but a few of the braver spirits determined for the first time to enjoy the delights of big-game hunting. They were led by an artilleryman with a drawn sword, and several peasants with rook rifles and pistols brought up the rear, Tales of Slaughter of Peasantry Affect Ruler.

ROUMANIA'S KING ILL

Hold Seven Hours' Congress in Field Sydney Olivier, C. M. G., Succeeds Sir a

He fainted several times on receiving e news of the bombardment of towns VESSEL HITS FLOATING MINE Kaiser's Police and Detectives Guard One of Brilliant Band of Fabian held by the insurgents and the indiscriminate slaughter of peasants. His majesty insisted on receiving the fullest possible details of the crisis.

keep aloof from state business, and he is not now permitted to see any reports. The date on March 20 in a sinking condition. Berlin, April 20.-While squads of police | London, April 20.-The appointment of and detectives were scouring the country-side high and low for traces of them, the and detectives were scouring the countryside high and low for traces of them, the
German anarchists held their annual congress in open fields last night, on the
banks of the Neckar, near Mannheim.

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Ilttle band of Fabian Socialists, headed

M. Cantacuzene, the former premier,

districts are comparatively quiet, and mistress' social set, some of the loyal troops are being sent back to Bucharest.

Extreme tension still prevails in the Roumanian capital in consequence of the fear of a coup d'etat. Nearly sixty algaged in Cultivating Opium, Russians and Servians and two Germans, have been arrested, and a large bourse been arrested, and a large

# FRENCH OFFICER DISCIPLINED.

Naval Lientenant Sentenced to Month's Arrest for Insubordination. Paris, April 20.-Lieut, Maurin,

n command on the coast defense battlego a month's close arrest for insubordina-He and his superior officer were draw-

ing up a list of sailors to be recommended for promotion, when they quarreled over some of the names proposed. Eventually the lieutenant refused to discuss matter any longer and walked away.

CONDITION VERY CRITICAL

The lioness, having finished her meal, strolled into the market place, to the consternation of the woman shoppers, who Monarch Faints Several Times on

Monarch Faints Several Times on Receiving News of Bombardment of Towns Held by Insurgents.
Feared He Will Not Rally from the Shock Occasioned by Revolution.

Her pursuers did not dare to go near her, but fired several ineffective shots from a distance. The mayor then came on the scene, and pronounced the animal to be a particularly furious beast. He called out a squad of soldiers, and they, with the keeper of the Honess at their lead came up with the bear in which Bucharest, April 26.—King Charles is in a critical condition in consequence of the excitement and anxiety occasioned by the excitement and anxiety occasioned by the

# The Fernley Reached Port in Sinking Condition.

Victoria, British Columbia, April 20.-The British steamer Fernley, 2,581 tons,

# SERVANTS AT GAMING TABLES.

Ladies' Malds Follow Example of Mistresses at Monte Carlo,

Monte Carlo, April 20.-The gambli lady's maid is another sin laid at the door of the smart set.

A maid employed by a weil-known woan, now at Monte Carlo, has just lost both the state and the fire insurance mpanies refuse compensation for the spanies refuse compensation for the spanies. Many other maids have recently dropped \$100 to \$250 by imitating their

mistresses' system of play, Women, unaccompanied by their husstates that the rising of the peasants was bands or other masculine escort, take instigated by foreign emissaries, many of their maids to the casino as chaperons whom were disguised as priests or women.

Prince Carol, the twelve-year-old son of about the rooms the greater part of the

Prince Carol, the twelve-year-old son of the crown prince of Roumania, is serving with the cadet corps which is guarding the royal palace. When the crown princess passes, the young prince gravely salutes his mother with the rest of the guard.

Land-holders who have appealed to the government for protection have been assured that order is being restored rapidly throughout the disaffected provinces. To-day's reports show that these districts are comparatively quiet, and

# CHINESE COLONY IN AUSTRALIA

gaged in Cultivating Opium,

large hourne lawyer, brings a story of a hithments erto unknown colony of Chinamen in the country near the Gulf of Carpentaria. The news, which has been confirmed, has come as a shock to the advocates of a "White Australia."

The Chinamen, who are said to number thousands, are, it appears, camped on arable river flats, and are growing vast quantities of opium, which is now a pro-hibited article in the Commonwealth, ex-

cept for medicinal purposes. Presum-ably a market for the drug is found among the rich Chinese storekeepers of the north. The interlopers have made their way to

## them out. WOMAN LEADS BRIGANDS.

Seeks Career of Crime and Becomes Bandit Queen.

Paris, April 20.-A woman named Maruerite Bois, known as "Lucia, the Queen of the Brigands," according to the Matin, has been the instigator of a number of crimes perpetrated by a band of robbers in the south and west of France, who are now under arrest.

This woman has had a remarkable career. Early in life she gained a reputa-tion for recklessness and cruelty. When only ten years old, she rode a horse that no one else could approach, and went to sleep in the stable with her head on its hoofs. At the age of seventeen, she met a man named Branchery, who had already been implicated in several crimes, and married him.

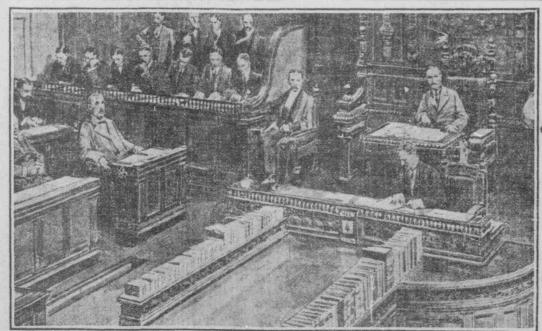
Lucia enticed him on to other crimes to entire her taste for luvuries. Under her

satisfy her taste for luxuries. Under her guidance a bind of brigands was formed, of which she was the acknowledged

# MUSTACHES ON STRIKE.

Men Servants of Turin Form Antishaving League.

Turin, April 26.-The men servants of Turin held a meeting yesterday, at which a resolution was passed to the effect that a protest should be laid before the prefect of the town against the action of masters who forced their lackeys to shave In the event of their not obtaining permission to grow mustaches, the servants have decided to go on strike.



Sydney Olivier,

of "Poems and Parodies."

FIRST PARLIAMENT OF THE TRANSVAAL-SWEARING IN MEMBERS. The picture shows Lord Selborne in the chair swearing in the members. On his right Gen. Botha is seen. The opening of Parliament has been a great success, and Gen. Botha is now in England attending the Colonial Conference. Another remarkable eulogy of the new Parliament appeared in the London Times last week, which declared Another remarkable eulogy of the new Parliament appeared in the London Times last week, which declared the Transvaal has "started on its political life in a way that must give genuine satisfaction to every loyal